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The nominees are judged upon their qualifications in one or more of the following categories:

A. Outstanding accomplishment in business or professional life.
B. Human services in community affairs at local, state, or national levels.
C. Meritorious service especially in behalf of the quality and advancement of Western Illinois University.

If you would like to nominate an alumnus or alumna for an award, please send us the name and address of the nominee along with biographical and other pertinent data substantiating the candidate's qualifications. Nominations submitted last year will be considered along with the new nominations by the Committee.

WIU Residence Hall Evacuated Twice

Damage to the outer wall, resulting from high and gusting winds of up to 45 miles per hour, caused the evacuation of Thompson Residence Hall at Western in the early morning hours of Saturday, January 11, and again when a fire on Saturday, February 1, started on the 16th floor.

According to James Miller, director of WIU's physical plant, the winds caused undue external pressure on the exterior wall of the 19-story structure. Anchor bolts securing the exterior curtain wall to the structural portion on the 18th floor of the building had loosened and had been sheared in some spots. The major damage was by the stairwells on the north, south, east and west elevations.

Following an inspection, it was determined that as a precautionary measure, students should be evacuated. Arrangements were made to house the students in the University Union, and buses to transport the students were provided by the Macomb School District and a local bus line. No injuries were reported and following inspection of the facility, it was determined that students should be allowed to return to Thompson.

Two weeks later, following a fire caused by an electrical short in a student's desk light fixture, some 40 students on the 16th floor were reassigned to other residence hall rooms until repair work is completed on that floor. There were no injuries resulting from the fire, which was confined to four rooms in the south wing, but fire, smoke and water damage was reported in 19 other rooms.

FUTURE DATES TO NOTE

The Office of Alumni Affairs would like to inform you of the following dates to keep open on your calendar. These two events are the two campus highlights for returning alums — though any of you are welcome at any time!

SPRING ALUMNI WEEK-END APRIL 18-19.

HOMECOMING OCTOBER 6.

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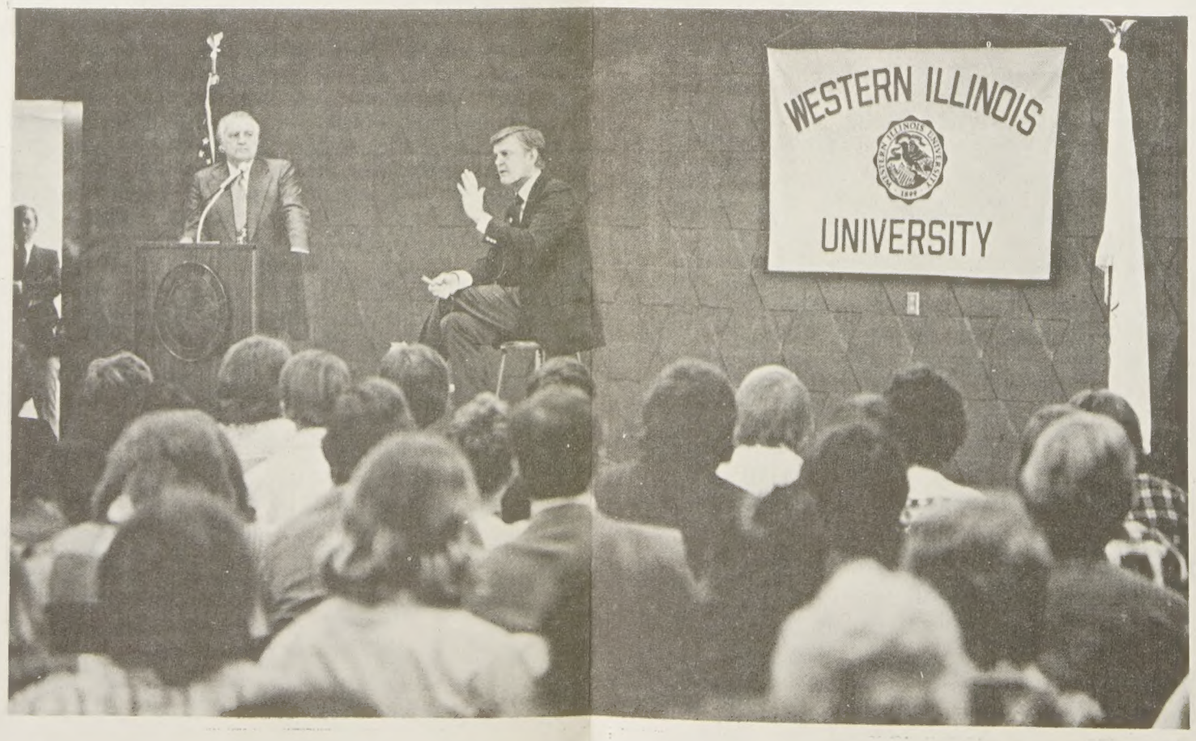
Of primary importance to the over 1,000 people who crowded the Union's Grand Ballroom was the question of WIU's proposed 10 million dollar library project. Although Governor Walker would give no official approval or disapproval to the proposed project, he did raise the hopes of Western's students when, in reply to a question concerning his views on the library, he stated, "I made a commitment when I came into office . . . to follow the priorities established by the state's Board of Higher Education (IBHE) with respect to major capital projects." "This year," he then quickly added, "I understand the library project is on the Board of Higher Education's approved capital projects."

In addition to the library project, Walker also responded to questions concerning possible tuition hikes and the funding inequities which presently exist between Western and other state universities. In reply to tuition increases, Walker simply stated, "I am opposed to any increase in tuition when increase after increase is being tacked on to student fees."

In regard to the funding inequities which have historically existed between WIU and other state universities, Walker indicated his interest in attempting to rectify the situation. Indeed, Walker noted that in addition to the Higher Board's awarding of $285,000.00 to WIU to help bring Western's faculty salaries into line with faculty salaries throughout higher education, the IBHE also reduced WIU's budget requests less than it did the budgets of other schools. Whether or not Walker would go beyond this in helping to alleviate the inequities, however, was left somewhat open by the Governor. "If you are asking me if I'm going to increase the proposals for WIU or decrease the rest of them," he continued, "Well, I haven't received the total IBHE budget figure yet and I'll have to make up my mind on that later."

Overall then, the Governor appeared to have left the Western community with a ray of hope for the future. Indeed, while he would not commit himself on the various issues regarding WIU, the fact that he was aware of the situation here may be quite helpful when the education bills finally arrive on his desk in the future.

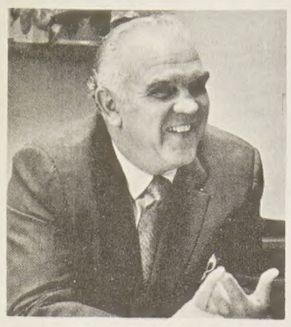


HORIZON 2000: LONG RANGE PLAN

Western Illinois University is launching a new, long range development plan designed to generate financial assistance from private sources for academic and athletic programs and facilities.

This new program will be known as "Horizon 2000," encompassing a series of fund raising projects planned for specific areas at WIU.

"Horizon 2000 is a bold program designed to attain a higher margin of excellence in academic and athletic achievement at Western," said WIU President Leslie Malpass.



Vernon Holmes

"It commits the university, with the help of alumni and other friends, to progress toward this goal of establishing Western as the leading institution of higher education in Illinois.

Vernon Holmes, a 1942 graduate of Western and president of the Sentry Life Insurance Company, Stephens Point, Wisc., has agreed to serve as the national chairman for Horizon 2000.

"I consider it a privilege to serve my Alma Mater in this capacity," Holmes said. "I sincerely hope that my fellow alumni, and our many other friends, will give their wholehearted support to this program when it is presented to them."

Horizon 2000 will be offered to the various constituencies of Western in two phases . . . academic and athletic. The initial phase will be announced within a few days, according to John Sayre, director of development.

Dr. Malpass, who took over the presidency at Western in September of 1974, has commited his administration to the development of excellence in all programs at the university.

"Our goal is to insure that our students receive the finest educational preparation offered in any of the state's universities . . . that Western's graduates find that they stand equal to any graduate in the nation in competing for jobs based upon their academic training," the President emphasized.

"I know that we can achieve this goal, but to do so we will need the active support of our alumni and friends — both financial and in direct, personal involvement with their university.

"We can be proud of what Western is today," Malpass said in closing, "but, with the help of the Horizon 2000 program, our pride will grow.

"For whether it is in the sciences or in intramurals, whether it be at a football game or in viewing one of our drama presentations, Western is going to try to provide its students and the public it serves with the very best in educational programs, instruction, and facilities."

WESTERN'S FIRST SUPER BOWL STAR

Mike Wagner, Western Illinois University's All-American defensive back, sealed the victory for the Pittsburgh Steelers in completing his fourth pro campaign, all as a starter, in the Super Bowl this year.

Drafted in the 11th round in 1971 and starting as a rookie Wagner said, "I was really fortunate as a rookie to have a coach who had so much faith in me."

"My biggest adjustment was the mental preparation and the tremendous speed in the pros. I got burnt and picked on by some of the quarterbacks my first year but now I have quite a lot of confidence," said Wagner.

"Wags" as he is called by friends said he does get kidded alot about coming from Western Illinois but many times just laughs and boasts that WIU is No. 1 in the Football poll. Wagner said "Yea a lot of guys who went to Ohio State, Notre Dame, or places like that give me a lot of remarks but I'm glad I went to Western, it gave me a chance to develop as a player, I may have got lost in the shuffle in a bigger school — I'll never regret going to Western."

In a telephone interview with Dave Lumley for the *The Prairie Star,* Wagner said "Say hello to everyone in Macomb for me and Coach Westen also, maybe I'll see you all in that ol' watering hole, Walt's Office, this spring."

WESTERN WOMEN HAVE THREE TOP ATHLETIC EVENTS

Western Illinois University's Women's Athletics scheduled top-notch events to kick-off 1975! The first women's international athletic event at Western, National and sectional tournaments were held in January and February.

On January 27 the women's varsity basketball team met the Australian All-Stars. The All-Stars are an internationally noted team of hard-driving, high scorers.

Another first for WIU was to host the AIAW Sixth National Badminton Championship on February 20-22. Participants in this tournament were sectional tournament winners.

The Sectional Gymnastics competition brought Eastern Illinois University, Illinois State University, University of Illinois, Southern Illinois University, and Principia College to WIU on February 14 and 15. Winners of this event will travel to the nationals.

HILLIARD TO DIRECT WESTERN'S ANNUAL GIVING

James J. Hilliard was appointed assistant director of development at Western Illinois University in December. He will be managing the alumni and parents' annual giving programs.

Prior to coming to Western Jim served in a dual capacity as the development officer for Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York and College Center of the Finger Lakes, a four member consortium of Upstate New York Colleges, headquartered in Corning, New York.

In coming to WIU, Hilliard brings seven years of private educational fund raising experience. After graduating from Union College in Schenectady, New York Jim began working at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York directing the annual fund. Two years later he moved to Gunnery to join the development office and handle all details of alumni, development and public relations.

He and his wife, Margaret, and two daughters, Monique, 8, and Noelle, 6, are now living near the campus in Macomb.

WIU Wrestler Goes to Russia

For a youngster who didn't even make it to the Illinois state wrestling finals his senior high school season, Jim Woods (Chicago Heights-Bloom) has come a long way.

Four wrestling seasons later, the 6-6, 270 pounder accomplished a nearly impossible feat — capturing both NCAA, Division I and II, national heavyweight titles, but that's not all.

After competing for a position on the AAU sponsored United States touring team over the holidays and winning a berth, Woods will compete against some of the top heavyweights in the world.

The former Western Illinois grappler, along with the rest of the U. S. contingent, is currently training in Washington, D.C., before he departs for Moscow on January 26. The American team will also journey into Poland for several more dual meets before returning to the United States February 17.

"Going to Russia is my first step towards the Olympics in 1976," says Woods, who is currently considered one of the top American heavyweight contenders.

Although the Olympic tryouts aren't until the spring of 1976, Woods said, "now is the time to start preparing."

Woods says he hopes to win between half and three-fourths of his overseas matches before competing for the next Olympic stepping-stone, the Pan American Games trials, on March 20.

Schedule of Events

ART DEPARTMENT

Museum — Gallery, Browne Hall 200

March 1 - 30:	Juried Student Art Show
April 4 - 14:	Art — Faculty Exhibition
April 17 - 30:	One-man Retrospective Exhibition Outgoing Art Chairman, Christopher F. Scadron
May 15 - June 15:	Annual Juried Exhibition of Works of Art on Paper Juror: Judith Goldman, editor of *Art News* and founder of *Print Collector's Newsletter*

VISUAL ARTS FESTIVAL, April 10 - 13
Juried Exhibition of noted visual artists

THEATRE DEPARTMENT

April 28 - May 3:	"Aladdin and the Genie" WIU's Traveling Company Horrabin Hall Auditorium 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Matinees
May 6 - 10:	"Jesus Christ Superstar" 8:00 p.m., Browne Hall Auditorium
May 11 - 17:	Traveling Company Repertory Week Matinees and Evening Performances Horrabin Hall Auditorium "The Big Wiz" — Children "A Tom Sawyer Adventure" — Children "Pot Pourri" — Musical review "After the Rain" — Adult drama "What the Butler Saw" — Adult comedy

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

March 12:	Newcomers Concert Bob Hills, Conductor 8:00 p.m.
March 16:	Chamber Music Series Camerata Woodwind Quintet James Magsig, Piano Browne Hall 8:00 p.m.
March 25:	Jazz Bands Concert Bob Morsch, Conductor 8:00 p.m.
March 26:	Jazz Bands Concert Bob Morsch, Conductor 8:00 p.m.
April 1:	April Fools Concert 8:00 p.m.

ACTIVITIES CENTER

Wednesday, Mar. 19:	Minnesota Symphony Orchestra 8:00 p.m., Western Hall
Monday, April 7:	Preservation Hall Jazz Band 8:00 p.m., Western Hall
Friday, April 25:	Chet Atkins with W.I.U. Symphony 8:00 p.m., Western Hall
May 11 - 17:	Hey Days of May Many Activities

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Watercolor paintings by Bruce Bobick, associate professor of art, have won awards in three recent juried exhibitions: The 17th Annual Beloit and Vicinity Exhibition in Beloit, Wisconsin; the Heart of Illinois Exhibition in Peoria; and the Illinois State Fair Professional Art Exhibition in Springfield.

Larry Cornwell, associate professor of mathematics, has been selected as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America for 1974 and will have his name appear in the annual biographical "Outstanding Young Men of America."

An airbrush drawing by James Davis, associate professor of art, was exhibited in the 14th Calgary International Biennial Drawings Exhibition at the Alberta College of Art in Calgary, Canada, and was subsequently purchased for the museum collection. An article on the work of Davis has been published in Structure, Vol. 2, No. 3, pp. 15-18. The article, "Memorie," by S. W. Semaj, deals with four of the artist's paintings.

Kenneth Fauth, assistant professor in law enforcement administration, has been appointed to a four-member National Research Committee of the American Society for Industrial Security, Washington, D.C.

Rodney Fink, dean of the College of Applied Sciences, has been appointed by Governor Dan Walker as a member of the Illinois Aeronautics Board.

The Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund Committee has awarded $425 to E. C. Franks, associate professor of biological sciences, for ornithological research in a study of life expectancies of birds.

Walter Gilliard and Donald Waterstreet, assistant professor of Counselor Education and College Student Personnel, are involved in a three-year ongoing Title III project titled "Common Ground with the Rock Island Public Schools."

Fred Jones, assistant professor of art, has had a number of works in recent exhibitions, including three silkscreens at the Illinois State Invitational at the State Museum in Springfield, one of which was purchased by the museum for its permanent display; a competitive show at the Illinois State Fair; a two-man show with Sam Parker, associate professor of art, at the Springfield Art Association; and a display in the Prairie House Gallery in Springfield.

A one-man exhibition of drawings by Richard Law, professor of art, was recently held in the Macomb Village Mall. The exhibition was organized by the Museum-Gallery at W.I.U. and was sponsored by Amelak Television City.

Frank Lupton, Jr., associate professor of recreation and park administration, was honored by the Illinois Park and Recreation Foundation "for his contribution to outdoor education and recreation programs in the State of Illinois" at the annual conference of the Illinois Park and Recreation Society.

The department of marketing and finance has received a grant of $500 from the Caterpillar Tractor Company of Peoria to further the progress of the operation of the department.

Robert Milkman, chairperson of the department of learning resources, was named to a panel of experts who will conduct a national, federally-funded needs assessment for instructional development in "Teacher Use of Library Media Centers."

W. Leroy Moffett, associate professor of art, exhibited a stoneware sculpture in the 25th Annual Exhibition of the Quincy Art Club at the Illinois Art Center in Quincy. Moffett also exhibited 23 pieces of stoneware pottery in a one-man show in the library gallery of Quincy College.

Robert Morey, associate professor of anthropology, has recently returned from Venezuela where he and John P. Marwill of the University of Akron undertook an archaelogical survey of the Middle Orinoco River, as supported by the National Geographical Society.

Safwat M. A. Moustafa, associate professor in agricultural engineering, has received a research grant of $1,200 from the Archer Danial Midland Company to support research on seed testing under controlled climatic conditions. Moustafa has been elected president for the Central Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant of $50,000 for renewed support of the project titled "Bacilli for Biological Control of Mosquitoes and Other Aquatic Vectors" under the direction of Samuel Singer, and $17,900 for support of the project titled "Carboniferous Seed Fern Studies" under the direction of Benton Stidd. Both are in the department of biological sciences.

Joel Smith, professor of art, recently held a one-man show of 50 miniature paintings at Central Washington State College, Spokane, as part of the College's Expo '74 presentation. Smith also had a retrospective exhibit at Brigham Young University, made up of 130 paintings covering his period of professional activity from 1947-1974.

W. I. Taylor announced that the department of health sciences received a grant of $22,584 from the Health Manpower Training Division of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to fund the Advanced Emergency Technology Program (EMT II), paramedic program.

Malcolm Torgerson, professor of finance, received the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts (CFA) designation at the annual meeting of the Institute's Board of Trustees in Charlottesville, Va.

APRIL ART FESTIVAL PLANNED

A Visual Arts Festival will be held April 10, 11, 12, and 13 in the University Union, sponsored by the WIU Art Department and the Macomb Community School District No. 185. The Visual Arts Festival is to stimulate artistic sensitivity and to vitalize a concern for art education by assembling students (K-12), parents, teachers and curriculum coordinators within a 100 mile radius of Macomb for an Exhibition and a Conference. Art teachers and classroom teachers in publication and private schools in this region may contribute to the exhibition and attend all events.

The Conference theme is: *Coming to Know The Visual Arts.* Activities will be structured to interest children, parents, teachers and administrators. The principle speakers will be: Rollo May, practicing psychoanalyst; Mary Jean Morman, professor of art, Loyola University; Elliot Eisner, professor of art and education, Stanford University; and Jurgen Suhr, art teacher at Bloomington Junior High School.

Teachers are encouraged to bring their classes to the campus. Further information may be obtained by writing to Dr. Richard Law at Western Illinois University.

WIU Foundation Seeking Service Awards Nominations

Nominations are being accepted for the annual Distinguished Service Awards sponsored by the W.I.U. Foundation.

These awards are designed to give specific recognition to persons and organizations who make valuable contributions for the betterment of the community, whether the community be west-central Illinois, the State, or the Nation.

This will be the second year that these awards have been made. Last year, the first recipients of these Distinguished Service Awards were the Edward Arthur Mellinger Educational Foundation, Inc., for its assistance to higher education through student scholarships; the Fulton County Historical Society for its research and publications for the history of Fulton County; and the Spoon River Scenic Drive Associates for its leadership in promoting Fulton County as a historical tourist attraction.

Dr. Lowell Fisher, president of the Foundation, explained that these Distinguished Service Awards enable the University to give recognition to deserving persons and organizations who are not included in other established honorary degrees or distinguished alumni and alumni achievement awards given by the University. (see Alumni Awards announcement elsewhere in this edition of the "Westerner").

"We believe that one of the public service functions of the state university is to give appropriate recognition for distinguished service," Fisher said.

Nominations for these awards should be sent to any member of the Foundation Board of Directors or the Office of Development at WIU by March 1. Nominations should include the name and address of the nominee, with biographic and other pertinent data which will substantiate the candidate's qualifications.

Western alumni and persons who are currently holding or seeking political office are not eligible for the Foundation's Distinguished Service Awards. Western alumni are not included because they gain their recognition through alumni awards.

Tax Tips

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This column is offered on a regular basis as a service to alumni, parents and friends of W.I.U. It is authored by Edwin C. Sims, Ph.D., of the Western Faculty. Complete details on this or any other charitable giving arrangement may be obtained by writing or calling the W.I.U. Office of Development.)

Many people think of giving in terms of their ability to contribute cash or stocks and bonds. A truly enlightened giver, however, believes all he owns beyond his own needs and those of his family are "giveable assets." Property such as notes and leases, mortgages, land contracts, life insurance policies, crops, houses, equipment, business interests, royalties, paintings, automobiles, cattle, antiques, stamp collections; in fact, almost any possession may be classified as a "giveable asset."

A donor may deduct the full present fair market value of most gifts of appreciated personal property without incurring a capital gain in its appreciation, provided the use of the property is **related** to the donee's exempt function. (For example, the gift of a painting to a University's art gallery.) Like appreciated securities discussed in the previous tax tip, the maximum deduction in any one year is limited to 30 percent of the donor's adjusted gross income and any "excess" may be carried over for up to five years.

If a gift of appreciated personal property is **unrelated** to the donee's exempt function, a deduction is permitted for the fair market value of the gift **minus one-half the appreciation.** Such gifts, however, are deductible up to 50 percent of adjusted gross income with a five year carryover allowed for "excess" gifts.

A gift of a future interest (i.e., a donor contributes **personal** property but retains the right to full use of the property) is generally not deductible until the donor relinquishes all rights to the property.

Gifts of life insurance policies, future interests in real estate, gifts of income, bargain sales, and other very special categories of giving will be discussed in future columns.

FACULTY DEATHS

Dr. Jack W. Jessee, 59, a professor of English at Western Illinois University since 1960, died December 30, 1974. Dr. Richard Poll conducted services for Dr. Jessee. Before he joined the faculty at W.I.U., he taught at Emory University and the University of Alabama Center in Mobile. Those who wish to do so may make contributions to a Jack Jessee English scholarship fund at W.I.U.

Jessee Memorial Fund

A memorial fund has been established in honor of Dr. Jessee. Donations to this fund should be sent to the Development Office at Western. Checks should be made payable to the "W.I.U. Foundation."

Miss Theodora (Polly) Pottle, former head of the art department of Western Illinois University from 1928 until her retirement in 1958, died January 3, 1975. A remembrance service was held at the Unitarian Universalist House in Macomb. Miss Pottle taught for seven years at the training school at the University of Chicago before coming to W.I.U. She was the author of "My Own Picture Book" series published in 1937.

Oathout Memorial Fund

Word has been received that Mrs. Mildred Oathout has passed away. Mrs. Oathout was the widow of the late Fred Oathout who served on the faculty of the Agriculture Department for many years. A memorial fund has been established for the Agriculture Department in honor of the Oathouts. Persons wishing to contribute to this fund may send their gifts to the Development Office at Western.

1975 PARENTS' DAY ANNOUNCED

Parents' Day at Western Illinois University for 1975 will be Saturday, November 8. There will be a full schedule of activities for all parents to attend featuring the football game between the Leathernecks and Central Michigan University.

IT IS MORE THAN A GAME

Dr. Richard A. Bunch, Chairman of the Department of Recreation and Park Administration demonstrates the sack race which was one of the games the Department planned and supervised at the annual Rockwell International Corporation (Admiral) employees picnic in Galesburg last summer. Observing the "professional performance" is John M. Sayre, Director of Development at Western (left) and W.I.U.'s President Leslie F. Malpass (right). In appreciation for the Department's planning and supervision, a $2,000 grant was awarded to the WIU Foundation by the company as an endowment to provide scholarships for students in Recreation and Park Administration.

LAFLIN SCHOLARSHIP

Pictured above are former Western Alumni Director, Al Laflin (left) and Dr. Lewis Wall, Chairman of the Department of Business Education and Administrative Office Management (right) presenting the annual Laflin Scholarship to Karen Flick of Liberty, Illinois. This scholarship is given each year to an outstanding major in Business Education and Administrative Office Management.

THOMPSON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The 1973-74 recipient of the Katharine Thompson Memorial Scholarship was Lynn Westerlund pictured above with W.I.U. President Leslie F. Malpass (left) and Mrs. K. K. Tibbetts, Katharine Thompson representative and Western alumnus (third from left), and Dr. James Murphy, Provost and Academic Vice President.

LATE UPSURGE IN ALUMNI GIVING EXPECTED IN SPRING

Since the current Alumni Giving Program has gotten off to a slow start, it is anticipated that the main participation will be coming between now and June 30th when this year's program closes.

Last year over 1,026 alumni gave $14,237 to the program. So far this year, 470 alumni have given or pledged $7,154. Since gifts to the Alumni Fund are essential for furnishing operating money for the Alumni Office and to sponsor scholarships, fellowships, library acquisitions, athletic program support, distinguished teaching awards and funds for unanticipated needs, it is felt that alumni will respond to help their Alma Mater meet these financial needs.

Alumni gifts may be sent to the Development Office. All checks should be made payable to the "W.I.U. Foundation" and be designated for the Alumni Fund.

PARENT'S GIVING PROGRAM AHEAD OF LAST YEAR

The current Parents' Giving Program, which is in its fourth year, is making good progress and is running ahead of last year's program. As of January 28th, five hundred parent households had contributed $6,500 to the current Parents' Fund. It is hoped that this year's program will exceed last year's program.

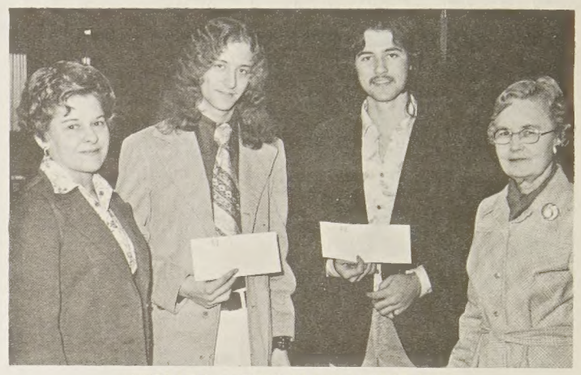
Gifts to the Parents' Fund should be sent to the Development Office at Western. Checks should be made payable to the "W.I.U. Foundation" and designated for the Parents' Fund.

MARCHING BAND OFFERS RECORD

Many exciting things are happening on campus and one which we are most proud of is the sound of the 190 member Marching Leathernecks. This year's band has become extremely popular with the many fans at Hanson Field, and in answer to many requests, has recorded an album of all the musical favorites presented this season. The album is available to all the alumni and friends of Western for $5.00. This price includes postage and handling to anywhere in the U.S. Foreign countries please add $1.00. Any proceeds from the sale of this album go to the W.I.U. Band Fund and are tax deductible. Anyone interested should contact the Office of Alumni Affairs.

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR

Richard Lawson, senior from Rock Island, receives a plaque from Western Illinois University President Leslie F. Malpass and Dr. James Murphy (left), provost and academic vice president, honoring him for earning the Distinguished Scholarship award of $1,000 during the recent WIU Foundation Scholarship awards ceremony. Lawson, who also won a $100 departmental scholarship award, has maintained a perfect 4.0 grade-point average in his academic work at Western. WIU Foundation Scholarships are funded through annual gifts made by alumni, parents, faculty-staff members, and local business firms and are awarded in recognition of outstanding academic achievement.



SCHORY MEMORIAL SCHOLARS

The pictures above are the first two W.I.U. students to receive the Harold F. Schory Memorial Scholarships. Harvey Y. Morris, from Morton Grove (left center), is the Debate Scholar, and James C. Clark, from Viola (right center), is the Theatre Scholar. Pictured with the scholars is Mrs. Eva Schory (right), widow of the late Mr. Schory, and Mrs. Miriam Jackson (left), his daughter.

LAURA BEU MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Terri Mahan, a graduate student in music at Western, is shown with the plaque from the Laura Beu Music Scholarship. Pictured with Terri is Mr. Chris Izzu (left), chairman of the Music Department, and Mr. Frank A. Beu, former president of Western who established the scholarship in memory of his late wife. Miss Mahan is the first recipient of the scholarship.

THE RONALD R. NETTLES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Ina Marie Schwarm, of Loogootee, is shown receiving the first Ronald Nettles Memorial Scholarship from Mr. L. Lee Nettles (right), with W.I.U. President Malpass (left) observing. The Nettles family has established this scholarship to honor the memory of their son, Ronald, who was killed in a traffic accident. An older son, Jim, is an alumnus of Western.

How to Make Gifts to Specific Funds

Alumni, parents and other friends of the University may contribute to any of the scholarship funds which are announced in this issue of the "Westerner" by sending their gift to the Development Office at Western. Checks should be made payable to "W.I.U. Foundation" and include the designation for which fund the gift is intended. Gifts for these specific funds may be made through the appropriate annual giving program (i.e., Alumni Giving, Parents' Giving, etc.) which would give credit to both that annual giving program and the specific fund. All gifts to the foundation are tax deductible as provided by law.

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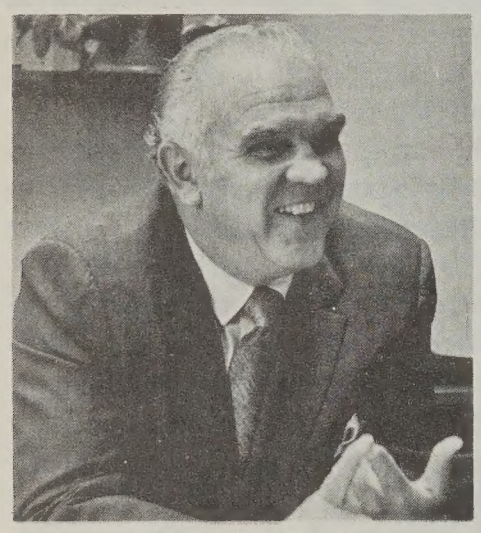
HORIZON 2000: LONG RANGE PLAN

Western Illinois University is launching a new, long range development plan designed to generate financial assistance from private sources for academic and athletic programs and facilities.

This new program will be known as "Horizon 2000," encompassing a series of fund raising projects planned for specific areas at WIU.

"Horizon 2000 is a bold program designed to attain a higher margin of excellence in academic and athletic achievement at Western," said WIU President Leslie Malpass.



Vernon Holmes

"It commits the university, with the help of alumni and other friends, to progress toward this goal of establishing Western as the leading institution of higher education in Illinois.

Vernon Holmes, a 1942 graduate of Western and president of the Sentry Life Insurance Company, Stephens Point, Wisc., has agreed to serve as the national chairman for Horizon 2000.

"I consider it a privilege to serve my Alma Mater in this capacity," Holmes said. "I sincerely hope that my fellow alumni, and our many other friends, will give their wholehearted support to this program when it is presented to them."

Horizon 2000 will be offered to the various constituencies of Western in two phases . . . academic and athletic. The initial phase will be announced within a few days, according to John Sayre, director of development.

Dr. Malpass, who took over the presidency at Western in September of 1974, has commited his administration to the development of excellence in all programs at the university.

"Our goal is to insure that our students receive the finest educational preparation offered in any of the state's universities . . . that Western's graduates find that they stand equal to any graduate in the nation in competing for jobs based upon their academic training," the President emphasized.

"I know that we can achieve this goal, but to do so we will need the active support of our alumni and friends — both financial and in direct, personal involvement with their university.

"We can be proud of what Western is today," Malpass said in closing, "but, with the help of the Horizon 2000 program, our pride will grow.

"For whether it is in the sciences or in intramurals, whether it be at a football game or in viewing one of our drama presentations, Western is going to try to provide its students and the public it serves with the very best in educational programs, instruction, and facilities."

WESTERN'S FIRST SUPER BOWL STAR

Mike Wagner, Western Illinois University's All-American defensive back, sealed the victory for the Pittsburgh Steelers in completing his fourth pro campaign, all as a starter, in the Super Bowl this year.

Drafted in the 11th round in 1971 and starting as a rookie Wagner said, "I was really fortunate as a rookie to have a coach who had so much faith in me."

"My biggest adjustment was the mental preparation and the tremendous speed in the pros. I got burnt and picked on by some of the quarterbacks my first year but now I have quite a lot of confidence," said Wagner.

"Wags" as he is called by friends said he does get kidded alot about coming from Western Illinois but many times just laughs and boasts that WIU is No. 1 in the Football poll. Wagner said "Yea a lot of guys who went to Ohio State, Notre Dame, or places like that give me a lot of remarks but I'm glad I went to Western, it gave me a chance to develop as a player, I may have got lost in the shuffle in a bigger school — I'll never regret going to Western."

In a telephone interview with Dave Lumley for the *The Prairie Star,* Wagner said "Say hello to everyone in Macomb for me and Coach Westen also, maybe I'll see you all in that ol' watering hole, Walt's Office, this spring."

WESTERN WOMEN HAVE THREE TOP ATHLETIC EVENTS

Western Illinois University's Women's Athletics scheduled

WIU Wrestler Goes to Russia

For a youngster who didn't even make it to the Illinois state wrestling finals his senior high school season, Jim Woods (Chicago Heights-Bloom) has come a long way.

Four wrestling seasons later, the 6-6, 270 pounder accomplished a nearly impossible feat — capturing both NCAA, Division I and II, national heavyweight titles, but that's not all.

After competing for a position on the AAU sponsored United States touring team over the holidays and winning a berth, Woods will compete against some of the top heavyweights in the world.

The former Western Illinois grappler, along with the rest of the U. S. contingent, is currently training in Washington, D.C., before he departs for Moscow on January 26. The American team will also journey into Poland for several more dual meets before returning to the United States February 17.

"Going to Russia is my first step towards the Olympics in 1976," says Woods, who is currently considered one of the top American heavyweight contenders.

Although the Olympic tryouts aren't until the spring of 1976, Woods said, "now is the time to start preparing."

Woods says he hopes to win between half and three-fourths of his overseas matches before competing for the next Olympic stepping-stone, the Pan American Games trials, on March 20.

Schedule of Events